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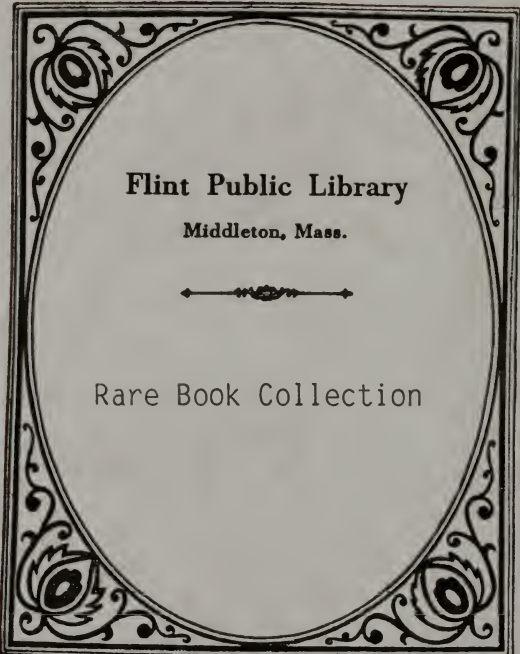


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## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Balance due schools February, 1904,	\$ 392.34	
Town appropriation,	1600.00	
Received from State School Fund,	801.95	
State Board of Charity.	57.50	
Received from Dog Tax,	113.47	
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		\$2965.26

C. Alice Manning, teaching Grammar School,	\$404.00
Ida L. Johnson, teaching Intermediate School,	200.00
Ann W. C. Merrill, teaching Intermediate School,	164.00
Nellie C. Howe, teaching Primary School,	480.00
Moses Peabody, transporting children,	760.00
Augustus Shepard, services as Janitor,	187.00
A. G. Huntoon, coal for school house,	214.71
H. K. Richardson, wood for school house,	42.69
Danvers Water Board, water for school house,	30.00
Atwood and Huntoon, sawing wood for school house,	5.52
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$2487.92

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2487.92	
H. K. Richardson, taking School Census, 1903-1904,	4.00	
H. K. Richardson, taking School Census, 1904-1905,	4.00	
G. F. Smith, teaching Music in Schools,	22.50	
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	\$2518.42	
Unexpended balance due Schools,	446.84	
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		\$2,965.26

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### High School Department.

Amount received from State,	\$370.00	
Amount due from State,	140.00	
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		\$510.00
Town of Danvers, tuition of High School children,		\$510.00

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### School Books and Supplies.

Town appropriation,	\$150.00	
Amount unexpended, 1904,	26.01	
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		\$176.01
Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$184.50	
Geo. F. King,	5.52	
Eastern Printing Co.,	6.75	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$196.77	



## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$ 196.77	
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	4.00	
Ginn & Co.,	9.20	
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	\$209.97	
Amount overdrawn,	33.96	
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		\$176.01

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## Incidental School Department.

Town appropriation,	\$100.00	
Unexpended balance, 1904,	76.60	
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		\$176.60
H. K. Richardson, incidental expenses, 1903-1904,	\$25.64	
D. W. Case, cleaning cess pool, etc.,	5.40	
A. F. Killam, tuning piano,	2.25	
Augustus Shepard, labor on fence and blackboards,	20.50	
Mrs. A. C. Milbury, washing towels,	2.16	
A. N. Webb, printing school reports,	13.60	
Augustus Shepard, cleaning school rooms, yard, etc.	14.40	
Geo. B. Flint, repairs on furnace,	1.00	
Barstow Stove Co., grates for furnace,	5.75	
Kenney Bros. & Watkins, school fur- niture,	25.32	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$116.02	

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$116.02
H. K. Richardson, lumber etc., for school yard fence,	39.84
H. K. Richardson, car fare and time out of town,	11.61
H. K. Richardson, removing ashes, drawing coal, express, etc.	13.20
A. P. Tyler, expressage, cartage, postage, etc.	7.00
H. A. Wilkins, supplies for school house,	15.30
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	\$202.97
Amount overdrawn, 1905.	26.37
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	\$176.60



## CURRENT EXPENSE DEPARTMENT.

### Town Officers.

Edwin E. Currier, Auditor,	\$18.00
M. E. Tyler, services as Selectman, Feb. 1, to March 21, 1904,	37.50
Jessie, W. Peabody, services as Select- man, Feb. 1, to Feb. 28, 1904,	27.50
S. S. Merrill, services as Selectman, Feb. 1, to March 21, 1904.	20.00
B. T. McGlauffin, services as Modera- tor.	12.00
L. F. Atwood, superintendent of burials and returning deaths,	13.50
Darius W. Case, services as school Committee,	35.00
A. P. Tyler, services as School Com- mittee,	35.00
H. K. Richardson, services as School Committee,	35.00
A. P. Tyler, services as Election Officer,	7.50
S. S. Merrill, services as Assessor to Sept. 25, 1904,	81.25
S. A. Fletcher, services as Registrar of Voters,	10.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$332.25

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$332.25
S. A. Fletcher, services as Town Treasurer,	50.00
S. A. Fletcher, services as Town Clerk,	10.00
H. E. Howe, services as Overseer,	35.00
W. E. Sanford, services as Overseer,	20.00
A. W. Peabody, services as Overseer,	20.00
B. T. McGlaulin, sealer of weights and measures,	5.00
Jesse W. Peabody, services as Selectman and Assessor,	127.50
Jesse W. Peabody, services as Registrar,	10.00
H. K. Richardson, services as Selectman,	65.00
H. K. Richardson, services as Registrar of voters,	10.00
M. J. Emerson, services as Selectman and Assessor,	130.00
M. J. Emerson, copying valuation book,	12.50
M. J. Emerson, Registrar,	10.00
Oscar Cram, services as Constable,	78.50
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	\$915.75

### Miscellaneous.

L. F. Atwood, clearing snow in Cemetery. 1904,	9.00
Walter C. Metcalf, damage to wagon,	2.50
M. E. Tyler, expressage, postage and telephone,	1.50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$13.00

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$ 13.00
Jesse W. Peabody, tax-bills, stationery and postage, 1904,	12.03
S. S. Merrill, time, car fare and tele- phone,	3.00
W. P. Early, coal and wood for Town Hall,	37.85
Oscar Cram, Officer's fee in case of Mary Ritchie versus Ralph P. Wilkins,	2.38
Danvers Saving Bank, payment of note given, June 15, 1898,	1002.78
Danvers Saving Bank, interest on note of \$1000,	20.00
Danvers Saving Bank, settlement of of note of \$1000, dated July 3, '99,	1020.22
A. G. Huntoon, coal for Town Hall.	28.25
L. F. Atwood, burial of Nathaniel C. Bousley,	35.00
L. F. Atwood, burial of Lyman E. Peabody,	35.00
M. E. Tyler, teaming wood to Henry Peabody and B. F. Gould,	2.00
John M. Peabody, collecting taxes in 1902,	25.00
Danvers Water Board, water for Town Hall,	6.00
Charles W. Hutchinson, services as Election Officer,	9.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$2251.51</u>

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2251.51
Hosea W. Richardson, services as Election Officer,	6.00
L. G. Huntoon, services as Election Officer,	7.50
J. Allen Atwood, brush fire at Fred Giles' barn and cleaning snow from hydrant,	2.00
J. Allen Atwood, cash paid at forest fire at Haswell Park,	12.75
Frank E. Moynahan, printing ballots for March meeting,	15.00
Frank E. Moynahan, printing tax bills and collector's notice,	7.25
Frank E. Moynahan, printing Town Warrants,	3.50
I. F. Valentine, returning one birth,	.25
Barry Printing Co., printing 15 Town Warrants,	1.50
Barry Printing Co., printing 300 Town Reports,	50.00
Edward S. Bradford, interest on note of \$1000 to June 25, 1904,	16.50
Henry Young, cleaning Hall,	5.00
M. M. Merritt, services as Moderator,	2.50
Hiram L. Hutchinson, interest on note of \$2000 to Dec. 1904,	80.00
Lilla D. Stott, abstract of deeds,	14.45
Albert T. Barrows, services as Election Officer,	10.50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$2486.21

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2486.21
L. G. Esty, services at fire on Boston st.	5.00
L. G. Esty, services as fireman on eve of July 4th,	2.50
M. E. Tyler, interest on notes of Flint Public Library,	57.50
Charles J. Brown, services as special police, July 4, 1904,	6.00
A. G. Huntoon, services as Special Police, July 4th, 1904,	6.00
Augustus Shepard, services as special police, July 4, 1904,	6.00
Wakefield Item, printing tax tables,	.75
M. W. Leslie and J. M. Harrigan, police services on raid at Fern- croft Inn,	4.00
Curtis and Lyons, use of teams by watch and ward Society,	5.50
B. T. McGlauffin, Inspection of animals,	35.00
L. G. Estey, services and cash paid at fire, Donovan's shoe shop,	6.26
L. G. Estey, services and cash paid at fire on River street,	5.56
Rufus H. Peabody, services as Elec- tion Officer,	3.00
Samuel A. Fletcher, county tax,	619.15
Augustus Shepard, cleaning water fountain, and gutters on Town Hall,	1.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$3249.43</u>

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3249.43
Fred W. Giles, services as Election Officer,	3.00
Carter, Carter & Meigs, Formaldehyde for Board of Health,	3.90
Town of Danvers, use of whistle one year,	13.80
B. T. McGlauffin, services as Election Officer,	3.00
B. F. Emerson fund, interest on Town note,	40.00
State Treasurer, state tax,	475.00
Jesse W. Peabody, cash paid for cutting wood in cemetery,	10.50
B. T. McGlauffin, care of street lamp and repairs on same,	10.45
B. T. McGlauffin, inspection of meat and provisions,	10.00
H. A. Wilkins & Son, supplies for Town Hall,	20.09
Henry Young, supplies for Town Hall,	2.60
Henry Young, services as Janitor of Town Hall,	88.65
S. A. Fletcher, administering oaths,	4.50
S. A. Fletcher, time and car fare to Andover,	1.75
H. A. Wilkins & Sons supplies for street lamps,	8.95
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, rubber bands, pencils, etc.,	4.51
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$3950.13



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3950.13	
John M. Peabody, collecting taxes,	15.00	
Edward S. Bradford, interest to Dec. 25, 1904, on note of \$1,000,	16.50	
Frank E. Moynahan, envelopes for tax collector,	1.75	
S. A. Fletcher, returning births, deaths and marriages, etc.,	8.00	
S. A. Fletcher, postage, carfare, station- ery, etc.,	5.31	
S. A. Fletcher, in payment of note and interest on Library Lot,	259.89	
Jesse W. Peabody, collecting taxes 1903,	22.00	
Jesse W. Peabody, collecting taxes 1904,	60.00	
Jesse W. Peabody, time and carfare,	4.00	
Jesse W. Peabody, postage and express,	9.63	
H. K. Richardson, journeys out of town and telephone messages,	19.45	
H. K. Richardson, drawing ten and one- half cords of wood from cemetery,	10.50	
M. J. Emerson, journeys to Boston and carfare,	6.25	
		\$4388.41
Notes paid this year,	\$2250.00	
County tax,	619.15	
State tax,	475.00	
	\$3344.15	
Actual miscellaneous expense,	1044.26	
		\$4388.41

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 State Aid Department.

Lyman E. Peabody,	\$14.00
Catherine Danforth,	48.00
Henry Peabody,	36.00
Susan A. Stuart,	48.00
Annie J. Sheldon,	48.00
Henry F. White,	48.00
Alexander Murray,	48.00
Nathaniel C. Bousley,	8.00
Isaiah B. Peabody,	32.00
Benjamin F. Gould,	48.00
Robert Rowley,	48.00
Harriet Hunt	48.00
Scott Wilkins,	48.00
Lucy W. Peabody,	36.00
Augusta C. Bousley,	36.00

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 \$594.00

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 Soldiers' Relief Department.

Augusta C. Bousley,	\$3.00
Dr. George W. Ewing, medical attendance on Lyman E. Peabody,	23.50
Dr. George W. Ewing, medical attendance on Mrs. Henry Peabody,	16.00
Mrs. Snow, nursing Mrs. H. Peabody,	6.00
L. F. Atwood, burial expenses of Mrs. Henry Peabody,	65.00
Lucy W. Peabody,	15.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$128.50

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$128.50	
Henry Peabody, two cords of wood,		
Benjamin F. Gould, two cords of wood,		
A. T. Huntoon, drawing wood to Gould		
and Peabody,	1.25	
H. A. Wilkins, supplies for Henry Peabody,	8.00	
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		\$137.75

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### Current Expense Balance.

Town Officers,	\$915.75	
Miscellaneous,	1044.26	
Soldiers' Relief,	137.75	
State Aid,	594.00	
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	\$2691.76	
Unexpended balance 1905,	2070.18	
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		\$4761.94
Amount unexpended last year,	\$1871.66	
Town appropriation,	1000.00	
Corporation Tax,	7.40	
National Bank tax,	54.53	
Street Railroad tax from State,	938.10	
State, for inspection of Animals,	17.50	
Received for Ink,	.25	
Received from First District Court,	50.00	
Military and State Aid,	643.00	
Henry Young, for use of Town Hall,	83.50	
Received for old Clock,	.50	
Frank Gould, for Cemetery lot,	8.00	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$4674.44	

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4674.44
A. P. Tyler, for Cemetery lot,	16.00
J. A. McKenney,       "       "	16.00
N. C. Brown,       "       "	16.00
G. P. Gould, for Cemetery lot,	18.00
Received for old Shovels, Sand and old bridge Lumber,	4.50
Allen W. Bryer, for Cemetery lot,	16.00
W. P. Early, for coal License from 1903,	1.00
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	\$4761.94

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### Highway Department.

Eli E. Richardson, storage of road machine,	\$6.00
Frank E. Moynahan, Road commission- ers blanks,	3.75
Herbert E. Richardson,	68.95
Fred S. Flint,	64.50
Ira W. Kitchin,	11.50
A. M. Richardson,	68.40
Hosea W. Richardson,	66.90
David S. Sheldon,	66.90
Eli E. Richardson,	119.51
Frank Curtis,	21.80
Waldo Wilkins,	6.20
John Bott,	14.40
Geo. Trask,	10.20
Geo. Flint,	3.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$532.01

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$532.01
M. J. Emerson,	2.10
W. A. Webb,	8.10
William N. Brown,	89.60
M. E. Tyler,	89.80
Chas. Wilkins,	25.20
Harry Huntoon,	16.90
Howard Weaver,	1.80
Allen D. Bryer,	9.40
George Margeson,	17.30
Oscar Sheldon,	62.05
Byron Morrison,	2.05
Mr. Cropley,	14.40
A. G. Huntoon,	41.90
Frank Margeson,	7.40
Hans Swenson,	66.40
B. T. McGlauflin,	2.00
George Durkee,	15.40
Kendal F. Richardson,	8.00
George Currier, gravel,	3.60
C. P. Stiles, gravel,	44.40
Mrs. Wilfred J. Kelly, gravel,	48.80
Mr. Dillard, gravel,	11.80
M. J. Emerson, gravel,	2.40
D. Woodman, gravel,	5.00
B. Brontie, gravel,	5.60
Leland J. Ross, shovels and tools for highway,	11.35
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$1144.76</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1144.76	
Eli E. Richardson, for Thaddeus E. McGlauffin for concreting gutter, North Main street,	50.00	
Thaddeus E. McGlauffin, balance paid for concreting on N. Main street,	150.00	
M. B. Paige, drain pipe,	20.58	
Byron Morrison, sharpening picks for Highway,	3.85	
Clinton P. Stiles, sharpening picks, etc.,	3.30	
Paul B. Patten, catch basin cover,	5.99	
H. A. Wilkins, supplies for Highway department,	8.06	
Eli E. Richardson, services and cash paid for clearing snow, Feb. 1, 1904, Feb. 1, 1905,	750.85	
		\$2,137.09
Town Appropriation,	\$600.00	
Balance unexpended, 1904,	924.78	
Due from B. & N. R. R.,	100.00	
Received from B. & N. R. R. as excise tax,	839.11	
	\$2463.89	
Unexpended balance, 1905,	326 80	
		\$2137.09

### State Highway Department.

Amount of orders drawn on Town Treasurer,		\$419.30
Amount due from State,	408.00	
Overdrawn,	11.30	
		\$419.30



### Bridge Department.

Eli Richardson, repairing Bridge,	\$4.67	
Town of Danvers, rebuilding log Bridge,	100.87	
Eli E. Richardson, labor and cash paid for repairing the bridge on Liberty street,	7.17	
Eli E. Richardson, labor on Paper Mill bridge,	11.10	
Calvin Putnam Lumber Co., lumber for bridges,	75.87	
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		\$199.68
Amount unexpended 1904,	\$69.68	
Town Appropriation,	100.00	
Amount overdrawn,	30.00	
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		\$199.68

### Sidewalk Department.

Town Appropriation,	\$100.00	
Unexpended balance 1904,	.70	
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		\$100.70
Eli E. Richardson, services and cash paid for labor on sidewalks,	\$47.67	
Unexpended balance 1905,	53.03	
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		\$100.70

### Tree Warden Department.

Town Appropriation,	\$50.00	
Unexpended balance 1904,	4.05	
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		\$54.05

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Eli E. Richardson, services and cash		
paid as Tree Warden,	\$8.87	
Unexpended balance 1905,	45.18	
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		\$54.05

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### Town Hall Department.

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Henry Young, Services as Janitor,	\$88.65	
Henry Young, supplies,	2.60	
W. P. Early, coal and wood,	37.85	
A. G. Huntoon, coal and wood,	28.25	
Danvers Water Board, water,	6.00	
Henry Young, cleaning Hall,	5.00	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies for		
Town Hall,	20.09	
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		\$188.44

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Cash received from Entertainments and		
Dances,	\$36.80	
Cash received from I. O. R. M.,	30.00	
Cash received from First Congregational		
Society,	16.20	
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	\$83.00	
Balance against Town,	105.44	
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		\$188.44

### Cemetery Department.

Town Appropriation,	\$150.00	
Unexpended balance 1904,	.32	
	<hr/>	\$150.32
L. F. Atwood, labor and cash paid for same,	\$144.18	
Danvers Water Board, water for Cemetery Sept. 1, to Oct. 1, 1904,	6.00	
	<hr/>	\$150.18
Unexpended balance, 1905,	.14	
	<hr/>	\$150.32

### Cemetery New Avenue.

Town Appropriation,	\$50.00	
Unexpended balance 1904,	15.68	
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L. F. Atwood, labor,	\$63.85	
Unexpended balance 1905,	1.83	
	<hr/>	\$65.68

### Hearse Repair.

Town appropriation,	\$50.00	
George L. Cromwell, drapery for hearse,	19.50	
L. F. Atwood, painting, varnishing, labor, etc.,	27.00	
	<hr/>	\$46.50
Unexpended balance,	3.50	
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### Cemetery Trust Fund.

L. F. Atwood,	\$36.00	
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Bank interest on funds for care of private lots in cemetery,	\$35.00	
H. H. Wilkins, balance for care of lot,	1.00	
		\$36.00

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### Poor Department.

Town appropriation,	\$800.00	
Due from Town of Boxford, medical services for Mrs. Ritchie's child,	31.00	
Due from N. Andover, medical services for Mrs. Howard Weaver,	350.78	
Received from Salem on acc't of Mrs. Bray,	27.00	
Received from N. Reading aid to Chas. Cross,	50.00	
		\$1258.78
Amount overdrawn last year,	\$73.97	
Curtis & Lyons, coach to Salem by order of W. Sanford on acc't. of Mrs. Sarah Bray,	7.00	
Dr. George W. Ewing, medical attendance on Mrs. Sarah Bray,	8.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$88.97	

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$88.97
Earl L. Collins, house rent for Chas. Cross,	30.00
H. A. Wilkins, supplies for Chas. Cross, Feb. and March, 1904,	10.00
John T. Quinn, cash paid by City of Salem for board in Hospital, acc't. of May Milberry, 6 weeks, 2 days,	62.86
B. T. McGlaulin, cash paid for filing three saws,	.75
B. T. McGlaulin, locking up 411 tramps,	41.10
James Rier, watchers furnished and cash paid for medicine for Mrs. Sarah J. Bray,	12.00
Dr. George W. Ewing, medical attendance on Mrs. Giddings,	5.00
Town of Peabody, board of Mrs. Harriet Smith in Almshouse, Jan. 1904, Jan. 1905,	135.00
Dr. Geo. W. Ewing, medical attendance on Mrs. Howard Weaver,	350.78
H. A. Wilkins, supplies for tramp house,	22.80
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	\$759.26
Unexpended balance, Feb. 1905,	499.52
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	\$1258.78

### Fire Department.

Town appropriation,	\$125.00	
Unexpended balance, 1904,	14.45	
		\$139.45
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co.,		
100 feet hose,	\$51.50	
Knight & Thomas, repairing one No.		
7, Fire Extinguisher,	4.85	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, soda oil chimney, etc.	1.77	
James Robertson, sail cloth,	32.66	
L. G. Esty, Incidentals,	5.59	
	\$96.37	
Unexpended balance,	43.08	
		\$139.45

### Firemen's Department.

Town appropriation,	\$65.00
L. G. Estey, to services and cash paid Firemen,	\$65.00

### Memorial Day Department.

Appropriation,	\$110.00	
Unexpended balance, 1904,	2.69	
		\$112.69



## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

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Samuel A. Fletcher, cash paid speaker, band and others,	\$108.73	
Moses Peabody, transporting school children,	4.00	
	<u>\$112.73</u>	
Amount overdrawn,	.04	
		\$112.69

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### Liquor Law Department.

Unexpended balance, 1904,	\$64.07
Amount expended during the year,	<u>00.00</u>
Balance unexpended, 1905,	\$64.07

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### Library Lot Department.

Appropriation,	\$250.00
Amount paid treasurer of Flint Public Library,	\$250.00

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### Special Appropriation.

FOR NOTES DUE ON HEATING PLANT AND WATER SUPPLY  
FOR SCHOOL HOUSE.

Town appropriation,	<u>\$350.00</u>	\$350.00
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Edward S. Bradford, payment of second annual note on heating plant and interest,	\$245.50	
C. P. Cummings, payment of fourth annual note for water supply and interest,	166.62	
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	\$412.12	
Overdrawn,	62.12	
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		\$350.00

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## Special Appropriation.

## LOCUST STREET.

Town appropriation,	\$435.00	
Amount received from Essex County,	382.50	
Amount due from County,	14.71	
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	\$832.21	
Amount of orders drawn on Town Treasurer,	\$794.42	
Unexpended balance,	37.79	
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		\$832.21

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## Special Appropriation.

## LAKE STREET.

Town Appropriation,	\$700.00	
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		\$700.00

# SUMMARY.

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J. F. Bly, services as surveyor,	\$12.50
Whitcomb, Carter, dynamite,	15.00
A. G. Huntoon damages paid on land,	20.00
Paul B. Patten, iron posts,	10.20
Eli E. Richardson, labor and cash paid for same,	626.49
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	\$684.19
Unexpended Balance,	15.81
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\$700.00

## Abatement of Taxes.

Abatement, L. F. Estey's tax book 1895,	\$347.48
Abatement, Jesse W. Peabody,	98.19
Abatement, John M. Peabody, tax book for 1898-1899-1900-1901 and 1902,	739.24
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\$1184.91

## Summary of Orders drawn on the Town Treasurer.

High School tuition,	\$510.00
Schools, for year ending Feb. 1, 1905,	2518.42
School books and supplies,	209.97
School incidentals,	202.97
Notes on heating and ventilating plant and interest,	245.50
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$3686.86

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3686.86
Note on water supply and interest,	166.62
Town officers,	915.75
Miscellaneous,	1044.26
Highway and snow,	2137.09
Cemetery,	150.18
New Avenues,	63.85
Cemetery Trust fund,	36.00
Repairs on hearse,	46.50
Bridges,	199.68
Sidewalks,	47.67
Tree warden,	8.87
Fire Department,	96.37
Firemen,	65.00
Memorial Day,	112.73
Poor Department,	685.29
Soldiers' Relief,	137.75
Special appropriation on Lake St.,	684.19
Special appropriation including County's share of same, on Locust St.,	794.42
State Highway,	419.30
Notes paid,	2250.00
County Tax,	619.15
State Tax,	475.00
	<u>\$14,842.53</u>
Orders drawn for Abatement of Taxes,	<u>1184.91</u>
	\$16,027.44

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### Tax Collectors' Report.

Jesse W. Peabody, tax collector, in account with the Town of Middleton:

Balance of tax list for 1894,	\$8.37
Abated, Feb. 1, 1905,	8.37

## TAX COLLECTORS' REPORT.

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Balance of tax list of 1896,	\$16.02
Abated, Feb. 1, 1905,	5.38
Uncollected,	<u>\$10.64</u>
Balance of tax list of 1897,	\$291.86
Interested collected,	15.17
	<u>\$307.03</u>
Amount collected Feb. 1, 1905,	70.98
	<u>\$237.05</u>
Abated, Feb. 1, 1905,	84.48
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,	<u>\$152.57</u>
Balance of tax list of 1903,	\$3228.00
Interest collected,	56.27
	<u>\$3284.27</u>
Amount collected, Feb. 1, 1905,	2295.67
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,	<u>\$988.60</u>
Balance of tax list of 1904,	\$8217.21
Amount collected,	5995.23
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,	<u>\$2221.99</u>

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John M. Peabody, tax collector, in account with the Town  
of Middleton.

Balance of tax list of 1898,	\$198.10
Interest,	.62
	<u>\$198.72</u>
Amount collected,	\$2.62 }
Abated,	133.65 } 136.27
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,	<u>\$62.45</u>

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Balance of tax list of 1899,		\$305.84
Interest,		.94
		<hr/> \$306.78
Amount collected,	\$3.14 }	
Abated,	227.43 }	230.57
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,		<hr/> \$76.21

Balance of tax list, of 1900,		\$320.87
Interest,		19.48
		<hr/> \$340.35
Amount collected,	\$90.74 }	
Abated,	147.49 }	238.23
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,		<hr/> \$102.12

Balance of tax list of 1901,		\$496.68
Interest,		42.63
		<hr/> \$539.31
Amount collected,	\$292.98 }	
Abated,	141.31 }	437.29
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,		<hr/> \$102.02

Balance of tax list of 1902,		\$1257.65
Interest,		37.66
		<hr/> \$1295.31
Amount collected,	\$511.89 }	
Abated,	86.36 }	598.25
Uncollected, Feb. 1, 1905,		<hr/> \$697.06



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**Wood Account.**

Estimated wood on hand Feb. 1, 1904,		
cords,	7	
Amount of wood cut in Town lot this		
last year, cords,	10 1-2	
	<hr/>	17 1-2 cords
Wood furnished		
Henry Peabody, cords,	2	
Benjamin F. Gould, cords,	2	
Amount of wood used at Town Hall		
and Tramp house, cords,	8 1-2	
	<hr/>	12 1-2 cords
Wood on hand Feb. 1, 1905,	5	"
	<hr/>	17 1-2 "

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Samuel A. Fletcher, Treasurer, in account with Trust funds for care of Cemetery Lots.

	Lot No.	Original Fund.	Bal. Last Year.	Interest added	Amt. with- drawn,	Bal. on Account.
L. Frank Atwood,	360	\$100.00				
I. Larkin Eaton,	168	75.00	\$ 75.95	\$3.04	\$3.00	\$ 75.99
Alonzo Fowler,	12	100.00				
Sophronia Fuller,	236	200.00	227.30	9.16	5.00	231.46
William Gifford,	180	100.00	102.94	4.12	3.00	104.06
A. M. McIntire,	338	100.00	106.80	4.28	3.00	108.08
A. S. McIntire,	132	75.00	75.95	3.04	3.00	75.99
William A. Phelps,	148	100.00				
Lucy G. Richardson,	80	100.00	100.00	3.02	3.00	100.02
P. B. Russell,	430	200.00	210.92	8.50	5.00	214.42
David Stiles,		150.00				
H. Amelia Thomas,	64	75.00	75.95	3.04	3.00	75.99
J. R. Wellman,	40	200.00	212.28	8.56	5.00	215.84
S. W. Weston,	36	200.00	220.80	8.90		229.70
H. A. Wilkins,	254	100.00	100.00	2.00	2.00	100.00

Samuel A. Fletcher, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Middleton, for the year ending February 1, 1905.

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To balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1904,	\$4028.46
Received from City of Salem,	27.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$4055.46</u>

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4055.46
Frank E. Gould, cemetery lot,	8.00
Ansel P. Tyler, cemetery lot,	16.00
Allen D. Bryer, cemetery lot,	16.00
Joseph A. McKenne, cemetery lot,	16.00
Miss Nellie Brown, cemetery,	16.00
George P. Gould, cemetery lot,	18.00
County for Ferncroft road,	382.50
W. P. Earley, coal dealer's license 1903,	1.00
State for Inspection of Animals,	17.50
State Treas. Education Children of State Charity,	57.50
Eli E. Richardson sand sold,	.50
Eli E. Richardson, old lumber sold,	2.00
Eli E. Richardson, use of team,	1.00
Eli E. Richardson, old shovels sold,	.50
Eli E. Richardson, use of tools,	.50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$4608.46</u>

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4608.46
Danvers Savings Bank, on	
Note,	1000.00
First District Court,	50.00
Boston & Northern St. R.	
R. Co.	839.11
Boston & Northern St. R.	
R. Co., Tax,	938.10
State Treasurer Corpora-	
tion, Tax,	7.40
State Treasurer National	
Bank, Tax,	54.53
State Treasurer Military	
and State Aid,	643.00
State Treasurer Tuition of	
children in small towns,	370.00
State Treasurer, Mass.	
School Fund,	801.95
Bank income for care of	
cemetery lots,	35.00
H. H. Wilkins, for balance	
care of cemetery lot,	1.00
Henry Young, use of Town	
Hall,	83.50
Ink sold,	.25
County Treasurer, dog	
license, returned,	113.42
For Endowment cemetery	
lot, William A. Phelps,	100.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$9645.72</u>

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$9645.72	
Endowment cemetery lot,		
Alonzo Fowler,	100.00	
Endowment cemetery lot,		
David Stiles,	150.00	
Endowment cemetery lot,		
L. F. Atwood,	100.00	
From North Reading for		
aid for Charles Cross,	50.00	
		\$10,045.72
*Received from John M. Peabody,		
collector,	\$1479.24	
Frank L. Estey, collector,	347.48	
Jesse W. Peabody, “	8452.67	
		\$20,325.11
CR.		
By cash paid on Selectmen's orders,	\$16,027.44	
paid on State Aid orders,	594.00	
deposited in Savings Bank for		
care of Wm. A. Phelps's lot,	100.00	
deposited in Savings Bank for		
care of Alonzo Fowler's cem-		
etery lot,	100.00	
deposited in Savings Bank for		
care of David Stiles cemetery		
lot,	150.00	
deposited in Savings Bank for		
care of L. Frank Atwood's		
cemetery lot,	100.00	
balance in treasury, Feb. 1, 1905,	3253.67	
		\$20,325.11

SAMUEL A. FLETCHER, *Treasurer.*

\*In addition to this amount, the Treasurer also received \$160 from John M. Peabody, Feb. 6, 1904, which amount was credited to him in last year's account

### Assessors Valuation of Property.

Real Estate,	\$556,379.00	
Personal Estate,	89,538.00	
		<u>\$645,917.00</u>

Number of Polls, 233.

Rate of taxation, \$12.00 per \$1,000.

Tax on Polls,	\$466.00
Tax on Real Estate,	6676.75
Tax on Personal Estate,	1074.46
	<u>\$8217.21</u>

Amount assessed for current expenses, \$1000.00

Schools,	1600.00
School books and supplies,	150.00
School incidentals,	100.00
Highway,	600.00
Bridges,	100.00
Sidewalks,	100.00
Tree Warden,	50.00
Cemetery,	150.00
New Avenues,	50.00
Note on heating plant,	200.00
Note on water supply,	150.00
Fire department,	125.00
Firemen,	65.00
Memorial Day,	110.00
Poor Department,	800.00
Balance due on Library lot,	250.00
Repairs on hearse,	50.00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$5650.00</u>

# FINANCIAL CONDITION.

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$5650.00	
Repairs on Lake street,	700.00	
Locust street,	435.00	
State tax,	475.00	
County tax,	619.15	
Overlay.	338.06	
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		\$8217.21

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## Financial Condition of the Town.

### LIABILITIES.

Amount of Notes against the Town:

Hiram L. Hutchinson, at 4 per cent.,	\$2000.00
Danvers Savings Bank, at 4 per cent.,	1000.00
Flint Book Fund, at 5 per cent.,	1500.00
Flint Book Fund, at 4 per cent.,	500.00
B. F. Emerson Fund, at 5 per cent.,	800.00
State Treasurer, at 3 3-10 per cent.,	1000.00
Water Works Notes, at 3 1-2 per cent.,	400.00
Heating Plant Notes, at 3 1-2 per cent.,	1100.00
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	\$8300.00

Balance in favor of Town,	362.71
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\$8662.71

### ASSETS.

Balance in Treasury,	\$3253.67
Due from State Aid,	594.00
Due from Boxford,	31.00
Due from N. Andover,	350.78
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$4229.45



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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$4229.45
Due from Jesse W. Peabody on settle- ment of F. L. Esty's Tax book for 1895,	19.60
Uncollected Taxes 1896,	10.64
"        "    1897,	152.57
"        "    1898,	62.45
"        "    1899,	76.21
"        "    1900,	102.12
"        "    1901,	102.02
"        "    1902,	697.06
"        "    1903,	988.60
"        "    1904,	2221.99
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	\$8662.71

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### Schedule of Town Property.

Library building and land,	\$11,000.00
Flint Public Library,	3700.00
Town Hall,	4000.00
School houses,	6650.00
Lock-up,	400.00
Fire apparatus and hose house,	1000.00
Gravel pit,	25.00
Road machine and tools,	150.00
School books in use,	300.00
B. F. Emerson fund,	10,560.15
Charles L. Flint book fund,	5000.00
Cemetery,	1300.00
Hearse and hearse house,	600.00
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	\$44,685.15

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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This is to certify that I have examined all books, vouchers of the accounts of the Town of Middleton and find them correct.

FRANK CURRIER, *Auditor*.

## FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

### Trustees' Report.

In submitting the Twenty-Sixth Annual Report of the Flint Public Library the Trustees desire to express their appreciation of the large and beautiful portrait of the late Charles L. Flint which has been placed in the reading room of the Library through the kindness of the heirs of Mr. Flint.

### Librarian's Report.

Books in Library, February 1, 1904,	5797
Books added by purchase,	98
Books added by gift, N. E. Historic Gen. Society,	13
Books added by gift, Mass. State Secretary,	10
Books added by gift, U. S. Government,	4
Books added by gift, Library of Congress,	1
Books added by gift, Chickering & Sons,	1
Books added by gift, J. M. Barnard,	1
Books added by gift, W. C. Kimball,	1
Books added by gift, Mrs. A. B. Fairfield,	1
Books in Library February 1, 1905,	5927
Pamphlets in Library February 1, 1904,	581
Pamphlets received from Mass. State Secretary,	7
Pamphlets received from U. S. Government,	2
Pamphlets received from Essex County,	1
Pamphlets received from Topsfield,	1

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Pamphlets received from Directors of Gen. Theol. Library,	1
Pamphlets received from Depauw University,	1
Pamphlets received from Trustees of Soldiers Home, Chelsea,	1
Pamphlets received from Francis Lee,	4
Pamphlets received from Abbott Public Library, Marblehead,	1
Pamphlets received from Newton Free Library,	1
Pamphlets received from Salem Public Library,	1
Pamphlets received from Syracuse Public Library,	1
Pamphlets received from Mrs. Susan A. Stewart,	1
Pamphlets in Library February 1, 1905,	604

Mrs. Susan A. Stewart has presented to the Library a quantity of ancient books, newspapers, pamphlets and almanacs which should serve as a nucleus for a collection of similar material and of historical interest.

New names added to list of patrons of the Library,	78
Circulation of books for one year ending February 1, 1905,	4418
Largest circulation in any one month, April 1904,	547
Smallest circulation in any one month, June, 1904,	362
Old books replaced by new books,	8
Number of days Library has been open,	139
Number of visitors registered year ending February 1, 1905,	206

SAMUEL A. FLETCHER, *Librarian*.

MIDDLETON, FEB. 1, 1905.

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### Treasurer's Report.

M. E. TYLER, *Treasurer*.

In account with the Flint Public Library.

### Flint Book Fund.

Amount of Charles L. Flint Fund,		\$5000.00
Notes against Town of Middleton,	\$2000.00	
Deposited in Banks,	3000.00	
		\$5000.00
Cash in hands of Treas. Feb. 1, 1904,	\$10.53	
Received from A. P. Tyler from Emerson fund,	435.00	
Received from S. A. Fletcher for interest on Town notes,	142.39	
Received from Danvers Savings Bank,	100.00	
Received from Salem Five cent Savings Bank, building fund,	54.31	
Received from A. P. Tyler for fertilizer,	.50	
Received from J. A. Atwood for grass,	4.00	
Received from M. E. Tyler, for apples,	.75	
Received from S. A. Fletcher for fines,	10.34	
		\$757.82

### Amount of Bills Paid from Flint Fund.

Charles E. Lauriat Co., books,	\$86.49	
Essex Antiquarian,	2.00	
W. M. Doulans, Essex Co., map,	2.00	
Essex Publishing Co., set of books,	25.00	
Sampson News Co., Magazines, etc.,	47.45	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$162.94

*Amount brought forward,*

\$162.94

**Amount of Bills Paid from  
Emerson Fund.**

Samuel A. Fletcher, services as Librarian,	\$235.00	
Samuel A. Fletcher, cash for express, postage, etc.,	8.41	
Danvers Water Board,	7.00	
F. J. Barnard, book binders,	31.43	
A. G. Huntoon, coal,	74.83	
Walworth Manufacturing Co., gasoline,	8.60	
A. P. Tyler, expense and time out of town,	1.90	
Lawrence Nursery Co., trees and shrubs,	60.00	
J. H. Curtis, repairing lawn mower,	1.00	
Ira W. Kitchin, labor on lawn,	5.40	
Earl Collins, fertilizer for ground,	2.75	
Frank Curtis, labor on ground,	2.00	
Fred S. Flint, labor on driveway,	5.40	
David Sheldon, labor on driveway,	10.80	
Frank Curtis, labor on driveway,	10.20	
Herbert Richardson, labor on driveway,	10.00	
Hosea Richardson, labor on driveway,	3.60	
J. A. Atwood, labor on driveway,	12.60	
Mrs. W. J. Kelley, gravel,	4.20	
C. P. Stiles, sharpening picks,	.20	
M. E. Tyler, use of team,	18.65	
Library Bureau, printing slips, etc.,	10.25	
L. F. Atwood, care of Emerson's lot in cemetery,	3.00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$690.16

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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$690.16	
M. E. Tyler, trip with team to Brook-		
line, for Flint Picture and cash		
for freight, etc.,	7.47	
J. A. Atwood, care of lawn,	32.90	
M. E. Tyler, labor and cash paid out,	.80	
		\$731.33
Cash on hand,		26.49
		<hr/> \$757.82

Cash in hands of Treasurer,	\$26.49	
Unexpended balance in banks,	336.60	
	<hr/> \$360.09	

GALEN B. HOWE,	}	<i>Trustees.</i>
ANSEL P. TYLER,		
RALPH G. PEABODY,		
MAURICE E. TYLER,		
A. W. PEABODY,		
J. A. ATWOOD,		

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### Trustees' Report.

The Trustees of the B. F. Emerson Fund submit their Sixteenth Annual Report.



## INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

Atchinson R. R., preferred stock,	\$3300.00
Atchinson R. R., general mortgage bonds,	2000.00
Western Telephone and Telegraph, mortgage bonds,	1000.00
Buffalo and Susquehanna R. R., mort- gage bonds,	1000.00
N. Y. Central R. R. mortgage bonds,	1000.00
Town Note,	800.00
Danvers Savings Bank,	865.95
Andover Savings Bank,	637.26
Salem Savings Bank,	546.56
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	\$11,149.77

## INCOME ACCOUNT.

Interest on Atchinson preferred stock,	\$165.00
Interest on Atchinson mortgage bonds,	80.00
Interest on Atchinson adjustment bonds,	40.00
Interest on N. Y. & N. E. R. R. bonds,	120.00
Interest on Town Note,	40.00
Interest on Bank books,	83.50
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	\$528.05

ANSEL P. TYLER, SAMUEL A. FLETCHER, M. J. EMERSON, MAURICE E. TYLER.	} } } }	Trustees.
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## Estimates for Next Year.

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The finance committee recommend, after careful consideration, the following sums to be raised to pay the expenses of the Town the ensuing year.

Current expenses,	\$ 800.00	
Schools,	1900.00	
School books and supplies,	175.00	
School incidentals,	150.00	
Highway Department,	900.00	
Bridge Department,	225.00	
Sidewalks,		
Tree Warden,		
Cemetery Department,	150.00	
Cemetery special for new avenues,		
Notes on School, Water and Heating		
debt,	462.00	
Fire Department,	100.00	
Compensation for firemen,	65.00	
Also 25 cts. per hour while on duty.		
Memorial Day,	110.00	
Poor Department,	300.00	
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		\$5337.00

## TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

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*Middleton ss. To Oscar Cram, Constable for the  
Town of Middleton, in the County of Essex.*

### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Middleton qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on

**Monday, the Sixth day of March, next.**

at six o'clock A. M., for the following purposes, viz:

To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting and all other meetings to be held under this warrant.

To choose by ballot the following town officers for the ensuing year, viz: Town Clerk, three Selectmen, three Assessors, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, one School Committee for three years, Highway Surveyor for one year, two trustees of Flint Public Library, for three years, Constable for one year, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Auditor, three Fence Viewers, Tree Warden, Superintendent of Burials, and Janitor for Town Hall.

Also on the same ballot to give in their votes, "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following question: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

The Polls will be opened at six o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 2.30 P. M.

You are hereby required to notify and warn said qualified inhabitants to meet subsequently, at the Town Hall on Wednesday, March 8, 1905, at 7.30 o'clock P. M. for the following purposes, viz:

ART. 1. To choose such other town officers as are required to be chosen annually.

ART. 2. To see how much money the Town will raise to defray town charges the ensuing year and determine how the same shall be appropriated.

ART. 3. To see what action the Town will take in regard to further improvements on Lake Street.

ART. 4. By petition of Fred Giles and others: To see what action the Town will take in regard to accepting the street laid out by Francis E. Batchelder and John A. Batchelder, leading from Central Street to the Park Field, so called.

ART. 5. To see what action the Town will take in regard to placing a Hydrant near Howes Station and appropriating money therefor.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to extend the water pipe on South Main street from the centre School House and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 7. To see what action the Town will take in regard to enforcing the liquor law.

ART. 8. To see what action the Town will take in regard to cleaning Culvert near residence of Mrs. Richard Tiernan.

ART. 9. To see how much money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the suppression of the ravages of the Gypsy and Browntail moths.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will have cut on the town lot what wood will be necessary for the ensuing year and hauled to the lockup to be sawed and split by persons applying for a night's lodging.

ART. 12. To see what action the Town will take in regard to discount and interest on taxes.

ART. 13. To act on the list of Jurors prepared and posted by the selectmen.

ART. 14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to letting the Town Hall.

ART. 15. To see what action the Town will take concerning the cemetery.

ART. 16. To see what measures the Town will adopt for the removal of snow from the sidewalks.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will authorize its treasurer to bring suit in the name of the Town to recover any moneys now due or which may be due for the ensuing year, or take any action thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to meet current expenses in anticipation of taxes of the present year and payable therefrom.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting the taxes which Town Treasurer when appointed may use.

ART. 20. To see what action the Town will take in regard to observing old home week or a part of the same in accordance with an act passed and approved in the Legislature, February 25, 1902.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall and one at Centre Post Office and one at the Post Office in South Middleton in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 21st day of February,  
A. D. 1905.

JESSE W. PEABODY,

M. J. EMERSON,

H. K. RICHARDSON,

*Selectmen of Middleton.*



## LIST OF JURORS.

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The following list of persons qualified for Jurors, prepared and posted by the selectmen, will be submitted to the Town at the Annual Town Meeting for revision and acceptance:

Ansel P. Tyler,	Henry E. Howe,
Fred H. Wilkins,	Levi F. Harlow,
Fred Giles,	John R. Jester,
Daniel C. Donovan,	Justin A. Atwood,
Herbert H. Wilkins,	John W. Curry,
Edwin E. Currier,	H. K. Richardson,
George E. Currier,	Frank Currier.







# For Reference

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